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automatically disabling the TV unit and switching directly from the TV mode to a phone mode.

REMARKS

Reconsideration of this application, as amended, is respectfully requested.

This application has been reviewed in light of the Office Action dated December 6, 2001. Claims 1-8 and 10-14 are currently pending in the application. Claims 9 and 15 have been cancelled.

Claims 1-2, 5, 8-10, 14, and 15 have been rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 102(b), as being anticipated by Applicant's Admitted Prior Art (AAPA), Korean Patent Application Number 1995-46026 cited in the Background of the Invention. Claims 3-4 have been rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over the AAPA in view of *Hadar et al.* (U.S. 5,870,389). Claims 6-7 have been rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over the AAPA in view of *Shimanuki* (U.S. 5,890,071). Claims 11-13 have been rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over the AAPA in view of *Mack, II et al.* (U.S. 5,991,637).

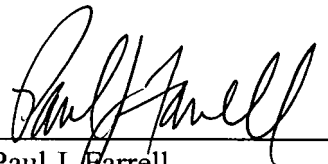
Independent Claims 1 and 14 have been rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 102(b), as being anticipated by Applicant's Admitted Prior Art (AAPA). Specifically, the Examiner has cited the language on page 2, lines 1-17, and page 3, lines 7-16 of the application. This selected language discloses the prior art of Korean Patent Application 1995-46026. As stated on page 3, lines 7-16

of the application, the Korean patent application 1995-46026 cannot switch directly from TV mode to mode when a call is incoming and the phone is in the TV mode.

Also, as seen on page 3, lines 13-16 of the application, the AAPA discloses that "the user must turn off the TV phone, manually switch the TV mode to the phone mode with regard to every incoming call, and turn the phone back on." Consequently, in the AAPA the user must manually manipulate the operation of the TV unit to get to the phone mode, while in the present invention, the TV phone itself manipulates the operation of the TV unit to get to the phone mode. Therefore, it is respectfully submitted that the amendments above, specifically, Amended Claims 1 and 14, overcome the Examiner's 102(b) rejection.

In view of the preceding amendments and remarks, it is respectfully submitted that all pending claims, namely Claims 1-8 and 10-14, are in condition for allowance. Should the Examiner believe that a telephone conference or personal interview would facilitate resolution of any remaining matters, the Examiner may contact Applicant's attorney at the number given below.

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Requirement as per C.F.R. §1.121c(1)(ii)

Rewritten claims 1, 10, and 14 marked up to show all the changes relative to the previous version:

1. (Amended) A method of controlling switching of an operation mode of a TV phone, where the TV phone includes a TV unit that reproduces and outputs a video signal and an audio signal from a selected channel, a display unit that interfaces with the TV unit and receives and displays the video signals from the TV unit while in a TV mode, a TV audio signal [processor] processor that receives the audio signal from the TV unit and outputs audible sound, a mobile radio frequency processor (MRFU) that receives data of a forward channel transmitted from a base station, and a mobile signal processor (MSP) that provides a channel selecting signal to the TV unit in the TV mode, and transmits and receives an audio signal input from the MRFU in a phone mode, the method comprising the steps of:

 alerting [the] a user of an incoming call in response to an incoming call signal transmitted from the base station when the TV phone is in a TV mode; and

automatically disabling the TV unit and switching directly from the TV mode to the phone mode.

10. (Amended) The method in accordance with Claim [9] 1, wherein the disabling of the operation of the TV unit is by interrupting power supply voltage supplied to the TV module.

14. (Amended) A method of controlling switching of an operation mode of a TV phone, the method comprising the steps of:

alerting [the] a user of an incoming call in response to an incoming call signal transmitted from [the] a base station when the TV phone is in a TV mode; and automatically disabling the TV unit and switching directly from the TV mode to [the] a phone mode.